

**THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

<b>In re:</b>  <b>FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC,</b>  <b>DEBTOR.</b>	§ § § § § §	<b>Case No. 22-60043</b>  <b>Chapter 11 (Subchapter V)</b>
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Shannon & Lee LLP hereby submits this *Notice of Appeal* (the “Notice”) of the *Order Denying Debtor’s Application to Employ Bankruptcy Co-Counsel* [Docket No. 182] entered by the Bankruptcy Court on September 20, 2022.

**Part 1: Identify the appellant(s)**

1. Name of appellant(s):

Shannon & Lee LLP

2. Position of appellant(s) in the adversary proceeding or bankruptcy case that is the subject of this Appeal:

Applicant Professional

**Part 2: Identify the subject of this appeal**

1. Describe the judgment, order, or decree appealed from:

*Order Denying Debtor’s Application to Employ Bankruptcy-Counsel* [Docket No. 182] attached hereto as Exhibit A.

2. State the Date on which the judgement, order, or decree was entered:

September 20, 2022<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> A motion for rehearing under Rule 7023 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure was filed on October 4, 2022 [Docket No. 206] and was denied on January 20, 2023 [Docket No. 401].

**Part 3: Identify the other parties to the appeal**

The names of all parties to the judgement, order, or decree appealed from and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of their attorneys follows:

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on February 3, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties registered to receive ECF notification in the above captioned case.

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**EXHIBIT A**

**APPEALED ORDER**



**ENTERED**

September 20, 2022

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

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**Case No. 22—60043**

**Chapter 11 (Subchapter V)**

**ORDER DENYING DEBTOR'S APPLICATION  
TO EMPLOY BANKRUPTCY CO-COUNSEL**

The application to employ co-counsel at Docket 85 is denied for the reasons stated on the record at the September 20, 2022 hearing.

Signed: September 20, 2022

  
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Christopher Lopez  
United States Bankruptcy Judge